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# BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte: GANG BAI

Appeal No. 2007-3807 Application 09/109,261 Technology Center 2800

Mailed: May 8, 2009

Before DALE M. SHAW, Chief Appeals Administrator

## ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 21, 2007. Upon review of the application, it has been determined that a remand to Examiner, via the Office of the Director of the Technology Center, is necessary to consider the following issues and to take necessary corrective action.

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#### EXAMINER'S CONSIDERATION OF REPLY BRIEF

A Reply Brief was filed in this application on October 5, 2007. There is no evidence on the record indicating that the Examiner has considered the Reply Brief in accordance with 37 CFR § 41.43(a)(1) and MPEP § 1208, part II.

### CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that this application be returned to the Examiner to:

- 1) consider the Reply Brief filed October 5, 2007, as indicated above; and
  - 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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